

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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For: GLUCOSE SENSOR

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTCommissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, delete " or 2".

Claim 4, lines 1 through 2, change "any one of claims 1 through 3" to --claim 1--.

Claim 5, lines 1 through 2, change "any one of claims 1 through 4" to --claim 1--.

Please add new claims 6 through 11 as follows:

--6. The glucose sensor as set forth in claim 2, wherein said reaction layer further contains calcium ions.

7. The glucose sensor as set forth in claim 2, wherein said salt of gluconic acid is potassium gluconate, sodium gluconate, calcium gluconate, cobalt gluconate, or copper gluconate.